

Overnight Winter Parking Prohibitions

Section 15(4) of Traffic and Parking By-law No. 1 of 1996 states:

"No person shall park a vehicle or permit a vehicle to remain parked on a highway at anytime between 1:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. from November 15 to April 1." This provision is identical in all Traffic and Parking By-laws pertaining to the former municipalities, except as follows: For former City of Ottawa streets and former Regional roads within the new City of Ottawa, it only takes effect if a report from the Environment Canada Atmospheric Environment Service or the Corporation's Weather Consultant forecasts an accumulation of snow of seven (7 cm) centimeters or more, or a range of accumulation of snow which includes seven (7 cm) centimeters or more.

To say it simply, within the former City of Ottawa boundaries motorists can park on the street if there is no snow forecast; however, they should be aware that crews might be removing snow from recent storms, although signs are always placed in the snow banks several hours ahead to inform the public.

Some Helpful Hints:

Listen to your local radio or television station or call Environment Canada at 998-3439 (English) and 998-8805 (French) for current weather forecasts.

Call the City of Ottawa Snowline at 580-2460 (for former City of Ottawa residents).

Make alternate overnight parking arrangements when a snow fall of 7 cm or more has been forecast.

Call the City of Ottawa at 580-2400 to find out if you are eligible to purchase an on-street residential parking permit.

Snow Bank Removal: Ticketing and Towing

When snow bank removal operations are underway, the City of Ottawa will install temporary NO PARKING signs on City streets. This no parking ban applies to all residents. Vehicles which interfere with the removal of snow could be ticketed and towed to a nearby street. For the location of your towed vehicle, call the City of Ottawa Police Service at 236-1222.

Remember: A permit holder is exempt from the overnight parking regulations but can receive a fine and be towed for obstructing snow removal operations. Observe all other no parking

signage that is in effect during snow bank removal operations. (Residential permit holders included).